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SUBJ: CIVAIR - TWA DESIGNATION ON ROUTE 2

REF: STATE 163669; LONDON A-648

1. WE HAVE NOW RECEIVED REPLY TO OUR LETTER NOTIFYING UKG OF OUR INTENTION TO CHANGE THE SCOPE OF TWA'S DESIGNATION ON ROUTE 2 TO ENABLE CARRIER TO SERVE VIENNA OVER LONDON. LETTER SIGNED BY KEMMIS, ASST. SECRETARY, DEPARTMENT OF TRADE, READS IN PART AS FOLLOWS:

QUOTE. YOU ASKED US TO LET YOU KNOW AS SOON AS POSSIBLE WHETHER WE WISH TO REQUEST CONSULTATIONS CONCERNING THIS CHANGE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURE SET OUT IN ATTACHMENT 1 TO THE EXCHANGE OF LETTERS OF 27 MAY 1966 BETWEEN MR. LOY AND MR. BURNS. YOUR REQUEST PUTS US INTO SOMETHING OF A DILEMMA. MY COLLEAGUE PETER GARDNER IS IN THE PROCESS OF NEGOTIATING WITH THE AUSTRIANS ON THE CAPACITY TO BE MOUNTED BY THE 3RD AND 4TH FREEDOM CARRIERS BETWEEN LONDON AND VIENNA. IT IS OUR CONTENTION THAT THERE IS ALREADY SERIOUS OVER-CAPACITY ON THIS SECTOR. IT IS THE AUSTRIAN VIEW THAT THE MARKET WILL GROW SUFFICIENTLY TO JUSTIFY ADDITIONAL AUSTRIAN CAPACITY. IN THE LAST ROUND OF TALKS A WEEK OR TWO AGO NO AGREEMENT WAS REACHED AND THE NEXT ROUND HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL NOVEMBER. BEFORE THEN WE SHALL FIND IT

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DIFFICULT TO FORM A VIEW AS TO A RATIONAL LEVEL OF

CAPACITY THAT SHOULD BE AVAILABLE TO A 5TH FREEDOM
CARRIER ON THE SECTOR.

IN THE LIGHT OF THIS, WE SHALL HAVE TO CONSIDER
CAREFULLY WHETHER AND WHEN WE SHOULD REQUEST CONSULTA-
TIONS. HOWEVER, I TAKE IT THAT TWA'S OPERATING PLANS
BETWEEN LONDON AND VIENNA DO NOT MAKE THIS A MATTER OF
GREAT URGENCY. END QUOTE.

2. WE WOULD SUGGEST A REPLY TO KEMMIS' LETTER REMINDING
UKG THAT ATTACHMENT 1 PROCEDURE ENVISAGES THAT CONSULTA-
TIONS ON DESIGNATION QUESTIONS SHOULD TAKE PLACE WITHIN
60 DAYS OF INITIAL NOTIFICATION AND THEREFORE SINCE
LONDON-VIENNA IS REGARDED BY UK AS CAPACITY-SENSITIVE
SECTOR, WE WOULD SUGGEST THAT CONSULTATIONS BE HELD TO
DISCUSS SUBJECT AT EARLIEST CONVENIENT TIME.

3. COPY OF KEMMIS' LETTER
POUCHED TO EB/OA.

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